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Local writer Daniel Newberry takes a look at the modern day miner. Not much has changed about the character of today's miners, however the tools of the trade have changed a bit as

well as the environmental and political climate. Read on to found out more about modern day gold miners in the State of Jefferson; you just might be the next one out in the river with a pan in your hand.



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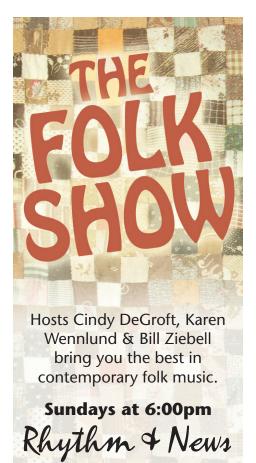
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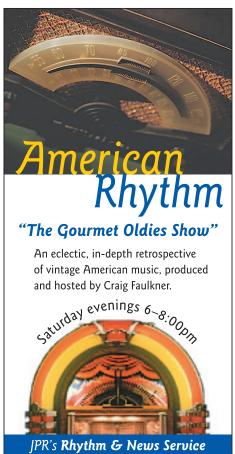
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Whith the Obama administration elected on a platform promising change, and with the staggering array of challenges it now faces, national attention is focused on these big picture changes. The fact that change is coming to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), in the form of the appointment of a

new chair and several new commissioners, hasn't attracted much media focus and hasn't heralded the likelihood of significant change at the commission - but it could, and should.

The FCC's approach toward regulation of communication technology in America is broken. Over time it has evolved in perhaps well-intended, but illogical, ways that challenge

our nation's economic and political opportunities. And some of these fundamental precepts should be reexamined by a fresh team.

The nation is just coming out of an enormously expensive, confusing and ultimately largely irrelevant transition from analog to digital television ordered by the Congress as informed by the FCC's research and planning. Under that conversion, all television stations in the nation were required to install new digital transmission systems and all viewers were required to either purchase new digital TVs or converters whose purchase was heavily subsidized by the federal treasury. Why?

The government sought to recover the spectrum previously used by analog TV for transmission which it is now leasing out for other uses – so for the federal government, the conversion provided an income opportunity. For the broadcasters, in theory, digital conversion affords the possibility of offering data and other income-generating

services unrelated to public programming that can be packed into the digital signal. But let's be real about this conversion.

First, 85% of American citizens receive their TV signals either via cable or satellite. Some percentage of the 15% which don't use cable or satellite receive TV from translators that weren't covered by the digital

conversion. Thus, the broadcasting industry – which is hardly an example of economic vitality at the moment – was required to invest over \$2 billion (in 2002 dollars) in transmitter conversions for less than 15% of the potential audience. In a free market economy devoid of regulatory requirement, few entrepreneurs would think that is a good investment

and it hasn't helped the television industry's economics.

That thinking really hints at the essence of another core issue. The FCC regulates both over-the-air broadcasting which transmits using the wireless spectrum, which in the quaint language of the early 20th century was referred to as "the ether," as well as interstate wired communications such as telephone companies.

Given that mandate, cable television is an anomaly. Cable TV was born in Astoria, Oregon, and initially neither the FCC nor the industry's founder knew just what role the commission should play. Was cable TV something that the commission should regulate? No, they thought originally. Then the commission changed its mind. Then it flip-flopped again. Ultimately, the commission decided it should regulate certain cable TV business practices but, unlike the approach toward on-the-air broadcasting, swore off any consideration of cable pro-

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The Modern Gold Miner





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he solitary and secretive gold miner still prospects in the state of Jefferson, today as in the 1850s, but he's apt to employ a metal detector,

a highbanker, or a gas-powered suction dredge to help find the nuggets that—yes—are still in local streams.

"Not more than ten percent of the available gold in the world has been discovered. The easy stuff is gone, but streams get replenished after 100-year floods, and it's often found in hard-to-reach bedrock cracks," says Greg Cordy, owner of the retail store, American Prospector, in Medford. A geologist by training, Cordy opened his store last summer and splits his time between Eugene and Medford.

Cordy first got interested in gold mining while backpacking in Australia. Someone showed him a large nugget and he was hooked. He's one of the few people who have turned a passion for gold mining into a viable business.

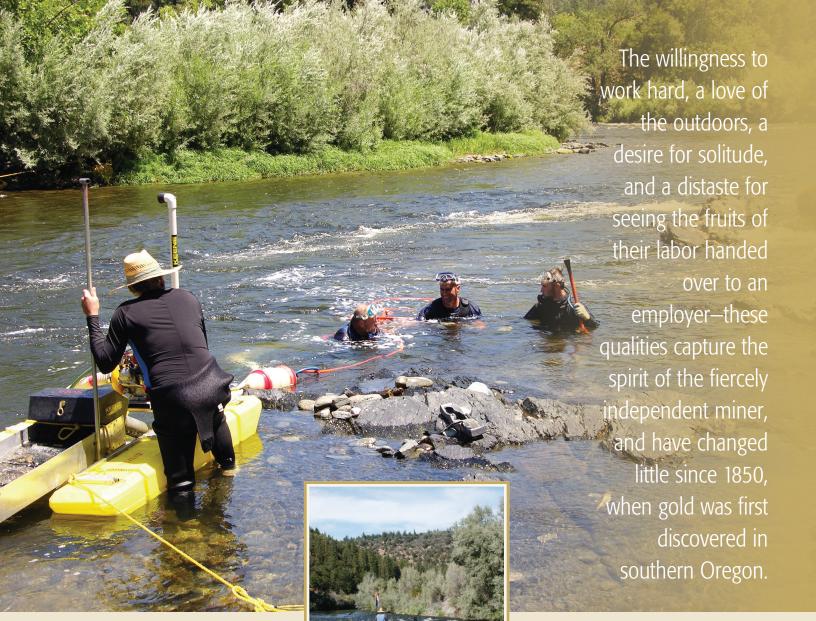
"In general, the vast majority of gold mining is a hobby. With the price of gold up and the economy down, we definitely see more people wondering if they can make a living mining. A lot of recently unemployed say 'I have to support my family' – they're the ones who don't make it," Cordy adds. Most miners Cordy sees at his store are

recreational miners who get more benefit from the discovery of shiny flakes and nuggets than from the financial returns.

"Sometimes they'll hoard it, sometimes just sell enough to keep their equipment working," says John Cotta of the Rogue Valley Coin Exchange in downtown Medford. Cotta buys gold dust and nuggets by weight at 75% of the spot price and sells it at 85% to gold refiners who melt it down for other uses.

The practice of buying gold from miners "Has quadrupled in the past eight to nine years. After it got over \$600 (an ounce) we noticed an increase, it paid off for miners. Now it's leveled off. It's hard work getting gold out of the rivers," Cotta explains.

The willingness to work hard, a love of the outdoors, a desire for solitude, and a distaste for seeing the fruits of their labor handed over to an employer—these qualities capture the spirit of the fiercely independent miner, and have changed little since 1850,



when gold was first discovered in southern Oregon.

Most of the gold locally "Comes from (what was) the ocean floor 140-150 million years ago, during the Cretaceous—the end of the dinosaur era," says Rauno Perttu, a registered geologist living in the Applegate Valley, whose career in mining precious metals has taken him all over the world.

"We have three types of gold deposits in this area. There are the high sulfide deposits, like the Blue Ledge Mine, that no-one mines anymore because they cause acid drainage. Then there are the vein systems, and finally rich pockets, known as pocket gold, like the famous one in Gold Hill. The placer deposits

came from these last two types," Perttu explains. Over millions of years, the formations that eventually weathered and traveled through ancient streams to create placer deposits are located today at about 2,300 feet in elevation.

ABOVE: "Although some miners anchor their dredges in waist-high water where the end of the suction hose is easier to see and move, the more serious miners favor deep pools. They don wetsuits and masks and place the end of the hose on the streambed with precision."

PREVIOUS PAGE: Hard work pays off as gold accumulates in the hands of miners.

19th Century Mining

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The methods used by both 19th and 21st century miners are based primarily on the prin-

ciple that gold is denser, and thus heavier, than other types of rock. After removing the larger cobbles and gravel from the streambed or streambank, water is agitated at just the right rate, and the gold settles, while the other material washes away.

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A spiral panner and a sluice tray, both plastic.

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The simplest method is panning. By swirling the finer material in a pie plateshaped pan, gold is revealed. A technological improvement to the old pan-which often doubled as a dinner plate-is the spiral panner. This plastic pan sports a ridge raised above the pan surface that spirals in toward the center of the bottom of the pan, where a small cup catches any gold, while lighter material travels out along the spiral ridge over the sides. A motor pumps water with a hose into the pan so the manual swirling motion can last longer with less effort.

Sluicing provided much better results because it could process more material in a shorter period of time. A sluice box was typically a narrow wooden box, ten to twelve feet long, with a series of cleats placed perpendicular to the flow of water through the box. As material moved through the box, gold would be trapped behind the cleats. The best results were typically obtained when the water in the box dropped a mere six to eight inches from end to end.

Miners would typically use a pick and shovel to dislodge streambed or streambank material and place it into the sluice. Water diverted from a stream provided a constant source of flow. If enough gold was found, investors would supply wages and capital, and sluice boxes would be placed end to end, creating an extended box that measured more than one hundred feet in length. In the 1860s and 1870s, much of the lucrative, easily panned gold had been found, and the solitary miner gave way to teams of miners.

In these larger operations, water under pressure from gravity would dislodge material, replacing the need for pick and shovel. This hydraulic mining came with a high environmental price tag. Entire hillsides were washed away and tons of fine sediment were released into streams, with significant consequences for fish and the landscape. Mine tailings throughout the region are the legacy of the sheer volume of material moved by hydraulic mining.

Searching piles of old mine tailings with a metal detector is a favored method of some recreational miners. Metal detectors are the biggest-selling Christmas gift items at the American Prospector store.

Hillside hydraulic mining is a thing of the past. Modern small-scale sluicers typically use stainless steel sluice trays about four feet long lined with special fabric that resembles indoor-outdoor carpet. This fabric helps to trap the gold.

A modern variation on the single sluice box is the highbanker. A tub mounted on a stand is attached to a sluice tray. A water pump circulates water through the tub, so the highbanker can be used away from the river and the same water or so can be recycled endlessly. Material is dumped into the bin and worked by hand; a highbanker is useful for working gravel away from the river. Depending on the size, a highbanker is likely to cost \$200-\$400. Today's gold miner willing to risk at least \$2,500 is likely to use a suction dredge.

This dredge is a floating catamaran with one or two lawn mower-sized motors attached that pump water to create a suction. The force created in this process sucks streambed material like a vacuum cleaner through a CONTINUED ON PAGE 16



Jefferson Almanac

Pepper Trail

Cow Free

n a ridge balanced high between the Klamath and Rogue Rivers, I walk through a rich wildflower meadow, shaded by lichen-shrouded firs. I need to step carefully here, to avoid crushing the lush clumps of Jacob's Ladder blooms or disturbing the tall, delicate columbines, their red blossoms nodding in the breeze. I breathe in the subtle mingled scents of the wild: the perfume of the flowers, the spice of the conifers, the earthy aroma of the wet meadow itself.

And today, for the first time in all my visits to this spectacular viewpoint deep in the Cascade-Siskiyou National Monument, the breeze carries no whiff of cow. This summer, no broad cow hooves have crushed the meadow, none of these flowers have been uprooted and masticated into cud, no cow pies spatter the trail, no mindless mooing echoes through the trees. Today, Boccard Point, and almost all the rest of the Cascade-Siskiyou National Monument, is cow free.

On April 15, a painstakingly negotiated deal between environmentalists and ranchers went into effect, retiring 46,345 acres of grazing leases inside the Monument - as well as an additional 12,253 acres of grazing on adjacent public lands. Just under 94% of the National Monument is now permanently closed to livestock grazing. All the lease retirements occurred through voluntary buyouts, financed entirely by non-government funds raised by a local grassroots environmental group, the Soda Mountain Wilderness Council.

It is no exaggeration to say that freeing a large parcel of public land from cows marks a watershed event in the history of the West. For the Euro-American settlers, all the dry and rocky country beyond the Great Plains was rangeland, unless it was found to be more useful for something else. Cows were turned loose everywhere: on the sagebrush flats of the Great Basin, the desert grasslands of the Southwest, the alpine meadows of the Rockies, Sierra Nevada, and Cascades, and the open pine

forests that cover so much of the inland plateaus and valleys, including southern Oregon.

And everywhere the cows went, they brought destruction. No other human activity has so transformed the West. Cattle, unlike native grazers such as elk and bison, are fundamentally riparian animals. They naturally cluster around rivers, streams, springs, and wet meadows - anywhere they

can find water. And in their clustering, their trampling of overhanging banks, their stripping of riparian vegetation, their wallowing, and their defecating, cattle rapidly and profoundly degraded the hydrology of half a continent. The deep gullies and

arroyos that mark the western landscape are not, for the most part, natural. They resulted from severe erosion and downcutting - often to the bedrock - of streams that meandered through wet meadows before the arrival of cattle.

Away from the streams, cattle impacts have been just as severe. The arid plant communities west of the Great Plains did not evolve with heavy grazing pressure. Following the introduction of cattle and sheep, it took very little time before native bunchgrasses were overgrazed and the fullscale invasion of the West by alien plants like cheatgrass, medusahead, and toadflax began. Today only a handful of intact bunchgrass prairies remain, amounting to a miniscule fraction of their former expanse.

It doesn't have to be this way. The public lands of the West have far higher value as wildlife habitat, as the basis for our fragile water cycle, and as the last silent, open spaces on a crowded continent than as marginal pasture for private herds of cattle. Lease by lease, district by district, we need to retire public lands grazing. There are many ways to help this process along: raising the price for the privilege of grazing private cows on public land; permanently retiring grazing leases whenever they fall vacant; offering ranchers voluntary buy-outs, followed by permanent lease retirement. The process can be gradual, but it should be irreversible.

The fact is, most of the arid West represents marginal habitat for cattle, and even though public lands are leased for a pittance (\$1.35/month for each cow/calf pair), leaseholding ranchers still struggle to make a living. A staggering 260 million acres are leased for livestock production by the Bureau of Land Management and US Forest Service, representing 92% of BLM and 69% of Forest Service land in the West. However, these public lands support only 1.4% of the cattle producers, and provide only 2% of the feed used by livestock in the U.S. Never has so much land been sacrificed for the use of so few, producing so little benefit

to anyone.

Walk yourself through

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public land, where the

cows are. Imagine it, if

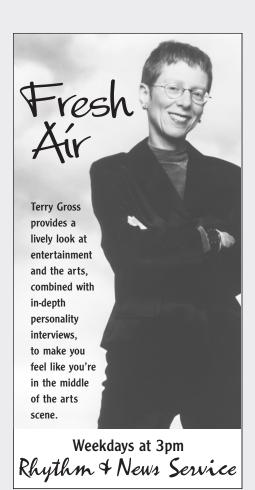
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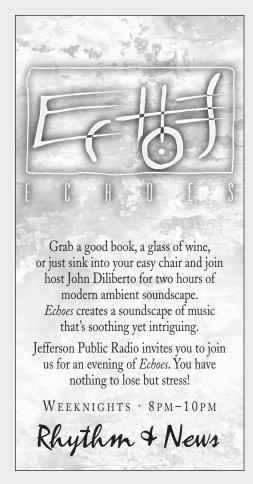
But let's leave the numbers behind. vourself through a stretch of your local public land, where the cows are. Imagine it, if you can, cow free. This trail, now paved with cow dung and buzzing with flies, can be clean and

quiet, and scented only with wildflowers or

sage. That stream, where the herd now stands in the sun-baked mud, could once again wander through a wet meadow, its trout-filled waters cool beneath the shade of overhanging banks and clustering willows. That hillside, now skinned down to patches of compacted dirt and stubble, may one day again be furred with bunchgrass and wildflowers, home to darting butterflies and singing meadowlarks. The damage has been great, and the recovery will be slow. But one day, you - or your grandchildren - may be able to top this rise and look out across the broad land, the West, healthy, whole, as it once was, as it should be: cow free. Here in one part of southern Oregon, we have proven that it can be done.

Pepper Trail is an Ashland naturalist and writer. To read more of his work, visit his websites www.peppertrail.net and www.earthprecepts.net.







Theater and the Arts

Molly Tinsley

The Human Comedy

hakespeare's *Much Ado About Nothing* is comedy with a serious edge. In the thoughtful production onstage this summer in the Elizabethan Theatre, director Kate Buckley reinforces the sober side, downplaying the purely comical in favor of psychological conundrum.

It's post-World War II Italy, Don

Pedro's (Peter Macon) soldiers return to town and are invited by patriarch Leonato (Bill Geisslinger) to recuperate at his home. Male bonds forged in combat are soon challenged by the presence of Leonato's marriageable daughter Hero (Sarah Rutan) and his older niece Beatrice (Robynn Rodriguez). The voung Claudio (Juan Rivera LeBron) falls in-

stantly for Hero. With equal intensity, his mentor Benedick (the inimitable David Kelly) resumes witty hostilities with Beatrice, a woman he once loved and lost.

Some past disappointment fuels the private war of the more mature couple. Rodriguez's Beatrice may have been born under a dancing star, but she seems burdened now, torn perhaps between painful memories and her suppressed desire for a loving marriage. Kelly's Benedick is tentative rather than brash, and though his klutziness is hilarious, he never overdoes it. He manages to fall into a fountain without a hint of the clownish, climb out, and continue his sopping-wet advances to Beatrice.

While benign trickery converts sparring to spooning for this older pair, malice is infecting the shadowy background. Designer Todd Rosenthal's two-storey courtyard allows ample opportunities for sneaking around, eavesdropping, and plotting. Most dangerous is Don John, Don Pedro's bastard brother. As played by Christopher Michael Rivera, this self-styled outcast

skulks around like a sullen adolescent.

In the world of *Much Ado*, a sniveling, low-level punk can wreak a lot of havoc, staging a night scene to convince Claudio that his betrothed, Hero, is promiscuous. Thus in the midst of their marriage vows, Claudio vilifies Hero hatefully, causing her apparently fatal collapse. When Benedick

offers to act on behalf of the wronged Hero, Beatrice firmly orders him to "kill Claudio."

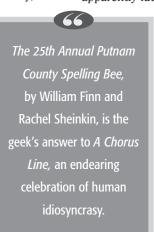
The comic spirit is in dire jeopardy.

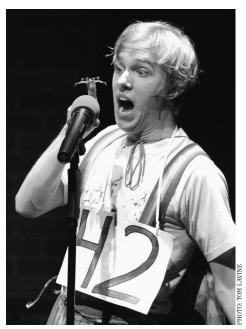
Enter the pompous Dogberry (Anthony de-Bruno) and his loyal constabulary, who've been bumbling around in the darkness too. In keeping with the style of this production, they are amusingly earnest, befuddled

human beings, rather than over-the-top clowns. Like the proverbial monkeys typing *Hamlet*, they miraculously explode Don John's plot, prevent Benedick's duel, and enable the double marriage.

Buckley's restrained choices throughout pull our attention to the characters who do boil over-the-top: Don Pedro and Claudio, Hero's accusers, joined in an eyeblink by Leonato, her own father. Their wild rants evince a bizarre loss of reason. Their outrage is outrageous. Hero has engaged in a thousand vile encounters? Come on. Do the math. Don John is a proven liar, yet all three men jump readily into his trap. Why?

The question hovers over this production, which breaks for intermission on a downbeat: Benedick's gulling is broadly hilarious; Beatrice's reaction to the news of Benedick's love is subtler but equally funny—she devours dozens of grapes. But both scenes of comic romance are trumped by the gratuitous deceit that ends the first half, when Don John invites Claudio and





James David Larson as "Leaf Coneybear" in Oregon Cabaret Theatre's production of *The* 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee.

Don Pedro to witness Hero's tryst. Thus we have a fifteen minute interval to ponder the meanness of this plot. Further, Buckley opts *not* to interpolate a little dumb show at Hero's window. No matter how convincing a picture Don John's accomplices might have set up, she gives the random, irrational act of cruelty by Don Pedro, Leonato, and their student, Claudio, no excuse.

A few blocks away on the intimate stage of the Oregon Cabaret Theatre, the comic spirit is alive and thriving, though not immune to heart-ache and a touch of malice too. *The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee*, by William Finn and Rachel Sheinkin, is the geek's answer to *A Chorus Line*, an endearing celebration of human idiosyncrasy. It charts the reactions of nine quirky characters with intriguing back-stories to the pressure of a nation-wide spelling competition.

The young contestants, all played by students at Southern Oregon University, are perfectly cast. Rachel Seeley is pig-tailed and precocious as ten-year-old Logainne, who must act as parent to two fathers obsessed with her winning at any cost. Rebecca Denley's spacey Olive lives in her own world, where absentee parents make cameo, c-h-i-me-r-i-c-a-l appearances. James David Larson as Leaf, unschooled, mild child of the counter-culture, channels correct spellings, while Tim Homsley finds the pathos in Chip, the over-sized, over-loud, over-sexed Eagle Scout. Beatriz Abella's dead-pan, no-non-

sense Marcy, Asian girl-genius, is clearly trapped by success. Chris Carwithen creates a flawless portrait of the adenoidally-challenged Barfee (pronounced Bar-fay), who spells with his near-infallible foot.

If the students are terrific, it's because they're rising to the performance level set by the consummate veterans John Stadelman and Renee Hewitt. The former, as Vice-Principal Panch, quivers with neurosis, while the latter's Rona Lisa, contest coordinator and former contest *winner*, raises enthusiasm to sadistic heights. Meanwhile DaRon Lamar Williams's Comfort Counselor, consoles the failures with a juice pouch and a hug, but keeps one foot planted firmly in sociopath.

Besides strong performances, *Spelling Bee* fleshes out its characters with creatively staged flashbacks and a satisfying epilogue.

Then there's the inevitable suspense that propels the action through real-time. Who's going to win? The arc of the play lands finally on the worthiest of themes: you don't have to be a "winner" to be lovable. To top off the fun, four volunteer contestants are called to join the activities onstage. Director-Choreographer Jim Giancarlo's team manages gently to sing and dance with and around the new members, without skipping a beat or breaking a leg, to the palpable delight of everyone.

Playwright Molly Tinsley taught literature and creative writing at the Naval Academy for twenty years. Her latest book is a collection of stories, *Throwing Knives* (Ohio State University Press). It was the recipient of the Oregon Book Award for fiction in 2001.

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gramming content. When satellite TV and radio came into play, the FCC decided to treat those industries like cable rather than like broadcasting.

This led to the circus-like circumstance of laborious litigation over FCC fines to broadcasters over radio programs like Howard Sterns' migrating to the unregulated content world of cable and satellite. With the Janet Jackson Superbowl wardrobe malfunction incident of 2004, the commission launched a paroxysm of sensitivity over indecent content on broadcasting, wholly ignoring that 85% of America was watching the other unregulated portion of television that was setting the "standard" (depending upon your point of view, either a high or low one) for pushing the boundaries of realism, sexuality, violence and more. It was, and remains, an exercise of the tail wagging the dog.

Then, of course, there's the Internet which generally uses the interstate wired (and therefore regulated by the FCC) technology for connection but, on which, content is also entirely free of regulation. We're not too far away from local cell phone towers transmitting signals referred to as "wi-fi" that will enable mobile reception of the internet's signals in cars just as it is increasingly available on mobile "smart" cellphones.

So let's get this straight. The FCC is going to continue regulating the technology and content parameters of radio and television signals coming to you through the ether from broadcast transmitters but is going to ignore the technology and content of programming that comes to you through the ether via often emerging systems. In a really simplified example, a car "radio" five years from now will have a "broadcast" button (regulated), a "wi-fi" button (unregulated) and a "satellite" button (unregulated) -if all these industries survive that long. And a broadcaster's signal heard by punching the "broadcast" button can be fined if a live broadcast happens to include someone who innocently blurts out an expletive (like President Clinton did at a news event several years ago), when Howard Stern could with impunity engage in a discussion of favorite sexual acts heard by punching the "satellite" button, or one could actually hear people having sex by punching the "wi-fi" button - all on the same radio.

Like Alice, have we all fallen down a rabbit hole?

This is a system which promotes neither economical nor social health.

We are ready for change in America and a reexamination of the FCC's policies would significantly help contribute to developing the type of media system that more effectively contributes to building a better society.

Ronald Kramer, Executive Director

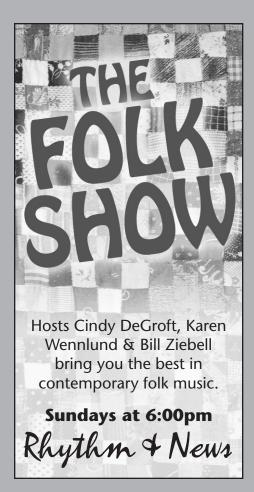
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Inside the Box

Scott Dewing

The Ultimate Question

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You are processing

information right now.

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computation.

You are a computer.

n Douglas Adam's novel *The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy*, researchers from a pan-dimensional, hyper-intelligent race of beings, construct a super computer called Deep Thought. The greatest computer of all time and space, Deep Thought is designed to calculate the answers to the universe's deepest philosoph-

ical questions that even the race of highly intelligent beings are unable to answer such as: Why are we here? How did we get here? From where? What is the meaning of life?

After some debate, the inventors of Deep Thought come up with a

question that they believe embodies all those questions and feed it into Deep Thought for processing. The question they pose is this: What is the answer to the ultimate question of life, the universe and everything? Deep Thought begins processing and crunching, and after seven and a half million years spits out the answer to the question: "forty-two".

One of the researchers, Loonquawl, is greatly disappointed and yells at Deep Thought: "Forty-two! Is that all you've got to show for seven and a half million years' work?"

Being a computer, Deep Thought doesn't get angry but coolly responds to Loonquawl's criticism: "I checked it very thoroughly and that quite definitely is the answer. I think the problem, to be quite honest with you, is that you've never actually known what the question is."

How true. The problem with answers is that they have little to no meaning if we are asking the wrong questions or do not fully understand the questions we've asked in the first place. This is made even trickier because the meaning of the word "meaning" is not exactly clear. What I mean by this is that the meaning of any information (i.e., a word, a message, an answer to a question) depends

on how that information is interpreted. If you don't know how information is to be interpreted, then you don't know its meaning.

"Meaning is a bit like pornography," wrote MIT professor Seth Lloyd in his excellent book *Programming the Universe*, "you know it when you see it."

I think we all know what he means by

that. (Okay, you can stop blushing.)

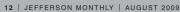
I was recently reminded of Deep Thought with the announcement of the launch of Wolfram | Alpha, which is described as a "computational knowledge engine" at its website, www.wolfra-

malpha.com. On its surface, Wolfram | Alpha is like a classic search engine such as Google. Under the hood, however, Wolfram | Alpha is very different. Unlike a search engine, which displays a list of search results for a given keyword or phrase, Wolfram | Alpha seeks to provide a succinct answer.

"Fifty years ago, when computers were young, people assumed that they'd quickly be able to handle all these kinds of things," wrote Wolfram | Alpha founder Stephen Wolfram in his blog. "...that one would be able to ask a computer any factual question, and have it compute the answer. But it didn't work out that way. Computers have been able to do many remarkable and unexpected things. But not that. I'd always thought, though, that eventually it should be possible. And a few years ago, I realized that I was finally in a position to try to do it."

How does Wolfram | Alpha answer questions? It computes its answers from structured data—a lot of data—currently more than 10 trillion pieces of data and growing.

Behind Wolfram | Alpha, is the brilliant mind of distinguished physicist, computer scientist, and inventor Stephen Wolfram. Wolfram is perhaps best known as the creator of *Mathematica*, a high-end software



program used extensively in science, engineering, and mathematics. In fact, Wolfram | Alpha's core code base is built on 5 million lines of symbolic *Mathematica* code.

According to the Wolfram Alpha website, "[the] long-term goal is to make all systematic knowledge immediately computable and accessible to everyone. We aim to collect and curate all objective data; implement every known model, method, and algorithm; and make it possible to compute whatever can be computed about anything."

What can be computed? Before we answer that, let's establish what the word "computation" means. Computation is the processing of information. Information is structured data that *informs* its recipient about something. Information is facts, knowledge, a message received and understood. Anything that is information then is computable. You are processing information right now. You are performing computation. You are a computer. Of course, digital computers perform computation too (hence the name "computer") and are much better than humans at certain types of computation, such as mathematical computation.

What else contains information and is therefore computable? Let's return to Lloyd's book *Programming the Universe*:

"The universe is the biggest thing there is and the bit is the smallest possible chunk of information. The universe is made of bits. Every molecule, atom, and elementary particle registers bits of information...The history of the universe itself is, in effect, a huge and ongoing quantum computation. The universe is a quantum computer."

Okay, but what, exactly, does the universe compute then my dear Professor Lloyd?

"It computes itself," he writes. "The universe computes its own behavior."

If Lloyd is correct about the universe being a quantum computer (and I believe he is) then the universe itself is the largest information processor (i.e., "computer") that we know of. All other computers, including ourselves and those electronic boxes we commonly refer to as "computers" are just models of this universal computer.

Back down here on Earth, Wolfram | Alpha is another stab at modeling the universal computer. It is far from perfect at processing information and computing answers. But it is not without a sense of humor. When I feed the ultimate question—What is the answer to the ultimate question of life, the universe and everything?—into

Wolfram | Alpha's little text input field, it quickly spits back the answer: "forty-two".

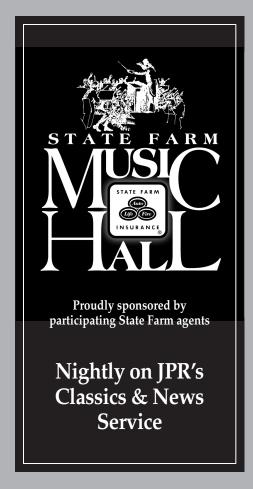
Now if we could only understand the meaning of the ultimate question, we'd be able to understand the ultimate answer and finally know why we are here, how we got here, and where we are going.

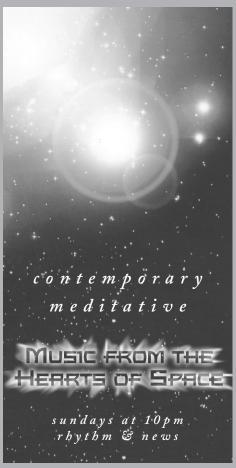
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Sultry Summer Picks

n November 1966, Muddy Waters brought his Chicago Blues Band into San Francisco's Fillmore Auditorium, as impresario Bill Graham exposed a new generation to a variety of sounds and styles (Jefferson Airplane was on the same bill). The brilliant pianist Otis Spann was recovering from an illness, so Muddy took more solos on his slide guitar than usual, and George "Harmonica" Smith provided a

lot of the embellishing fills that were usually provided by Spann. Sammy Lawhorne and Luther "Snake" Johnson played rhythm guitars, while Mac Arnold was the bass man, and the recently departed Francis Clay played drums.

Bill Graham always had a tape rolling at his shows, and some of this material has been available for listening on the Wolfgang's Vault site for a year. When I saw it had been issued on CD, I ob-

tained it pronto. There are selections from each of the engagements' three nights here, and a few songs appear twice, though in markedly different tempos and interpretations.

Muddy seems to have felt he had a point to prove, and his slide work is unrivaled in his other recordings for intensity and emotional fury. This is Muddy at his peak, 50 years old and full of the virile assurance that commanded attention and beeleven-minute "Thirteen lief. The Highway" in particular gives him a chance to "throw down," with chorus after cascading chorus building momentum, then relaxing a little, then boiling over with ever-increasing intensity. George Smith gets a lot of solo time as well, and here we have a great new listen to one of the kings of the Blues.

The album is a clinic for the interplay and support that is at the core of Chicago Blues - Lawhorne and Johnson give a sturdy framework studded with nuance, and Francis Clay plays with all the flair and excitement that made him one of the best drummers in the history of the Blues. Muddy Waters - Authorized Bootleg - Fillmore Auditorium, San Francisco Nov. 4-6 1966 (Universal Music). It's the best of the

best, in so many ways.

Eddie C. Campbell was a member of the second wave of postwar Chicago bluesman, an affiliate of Magic Sam in the late 1950's. He's 70 now, but his singing is still vibrant, and his guitar is a wonderful voice as well. Campbell never achieved the fame of Magic Sam Maghett, Otis Rush or Luther Allison. but he's the real deal. and his new release on the Delmark label. Tear This World Up, gives us

something to really enjoy.

This is rich and diverse music, with a flamenco introduction to "Summertime," a solid Jimmy Reed groove in "Vibrations," and evocative covers of his friend Magic Sam's slow Blues "Easy Baby" as well as the rockabilly romp, "Love Me With a Feeling." Every track on the release has a different groove, and they all work perfectly. I'll go so far as to assert that this new release is a "10." Campbell's original tunes are funny, wry and insightful. Some capture life's sorrows with a fresh perspective, and his guitar playing avoids clichés, surprising the listener with unexpected directions and resolves.

A favorite track for me is the final number, "Bluesman." Campbell plays an elegant acoustic guitar behind his story -"I'm still here, pickin' away, one of these

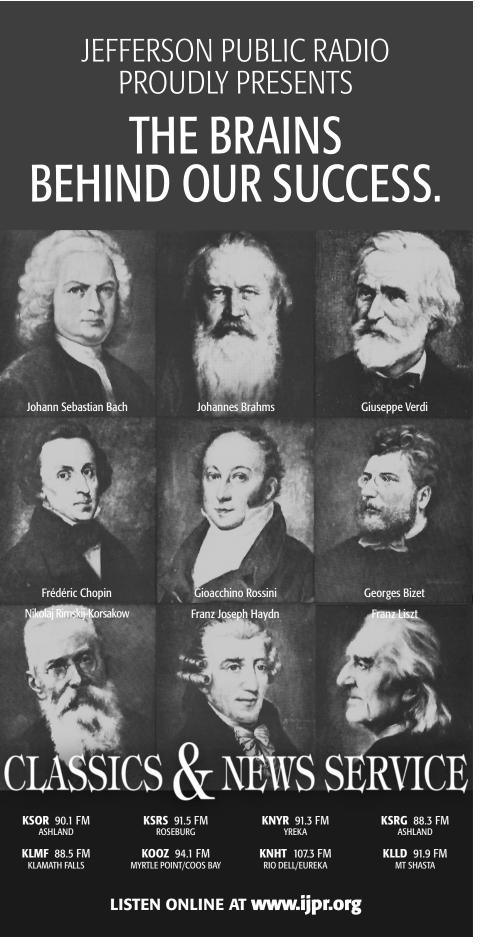


days gonna be my day/ I played with everyone, from A to Z, but the real point is, they played with me. I'm a Bluesman..." He then proceeds with a litany of blues greats, punctuating his words with the guitar to create an original masterpiece.

Blues music has been "on the ropes" for a few years, as the legendary ones continue to leave us, and only a few of the newer practitioners prove worthy to follow these forbearers. But here's a Chicago vet showcasing a lifetime's worth of savvy, dealing a boss hand of the Blues that should appeal not just to blues fans, but to all appreciators of good music.

Derral Campbell is host of *Rollin' the Blues* and *The Blues Show* on JPR's Rhythm & News Service and www.ijpr.org.





Miners continued from page 8



As the value of gold continues to rise, more and more mining hobbyists are sifting through silt and gravel in search of the elusive precious metal; still, only a few can actually make a viable living mining for gold.

ALL PHOTOS: THE NEW 49ERS

tube onto a recovery system floating on the surface where material can be sorted and the fine portion saved for future processing.

"Dredges move the most material and they're regulated by DEQ and ODFW (Oregon Dept. of Environmental Quality and Oregon Dept. of Fish and Wildlife). The water suction hoses have foot valves (screens) to prevent fish from being sucked in," says store owner Greg Cordy.

Although some miners anchor their dredges in waist-high water where the end of the suction hose is easier to see and move, the more serious miners favor deep pools. They don wetsuits and masks and place the end of the hose on the streambed with precision.

"Some dredges have a 'hookah system.' This is an air compressor that acts like a snorkel so the diver can stay down longer. Some guys go down 15, 20, 25 feet looking for bedrock cracks where the gold settles," Cordy explains.

Mining Impacts

Though hydraulic mining is currently banned, controversy over the impacts of river-based gold mining is currently focused on suction dredging. Nowhere is this controversy greater than on the Klamath River, but primarily in California, where regulations differ significantly from those in Oregon.

As streambed gravel and sand is sucked through the dredge, it dislodges nutrients and insects. Fish will often gather downstream from the dredge to feed on the newly-suspended bottom-dwelling insects and plant material. Not everyone sees this as beneficial, especially when many suction dredges operate simultaneously in the same river.

"It's like Thanksgiving for fish. Then the feast is over, it's feast or famine. It's well-documented that dredging causes a decrease in the diversity in aquatic insects," says Scott Harding, Executive Director of Klamath Riverkeeper, based in Happy Camp and Ashland.

Klamath Riverkeeper has actively supported a lawsuit filed by the Karuk Tribe that demanded that the California Department of Fish & Game update the 1994 dredging regulations, rules they say do not take into account the subsequent listing of coho salmon through the Endangered Species Act.

As a result of the lawsuit, a judge ordered the Dept. of Fish & Game to conduct a study under the California Environmental Quality Act, CEQA, to determine the actual impacts of suction dredging and update the regulations if necessary. The 2008 deadline passed and the study is only just getting started.

"CEQA is a great process. It uses best available science to identify any real environmental issues. There's rhetoric, but they'll have to get to the bottom of the issue. There's a lot of peer-reviewed data on these issues, and the law requires solutions to find the least impact on business," says Dave McCracken, founder and president of the New 49ers, an association of suction dredgers based in Happy Camp.

Three individuals have filed another lawsuit, demanding an injunction against suction mining on the Klamath River. A judge is scheduled to rule on that request this summer. At the same time, State Senator Patricia Wiggins has introduced SB670, legislation that would place a statewide moratorium on suction dredging until the CEQA study is finished. That bill passed the Senate by a 31-8 margin and is working its way through the House, according to Harding.

"You can't close down an entire industry without proof," says McCracken. "To shut down a whole industry for a whole state would be extreme. We all agree the state of California should update it (the regulations), but they're broke. We will voluntarily mitigate anything that the study finds."

Current regulations prevent dredging during the times of year when salmon and steelhead are the most vulnerable. But the regulations do not protect the lamprey eel, a species that is also culturally important to the Karuk Tribe, says Harding.

"Lamprey have different life cycles—they spend years in gravels—they're much more in harm's way. On the Klamath you're allowed up to 8 inch diameter on suction hoses, and 6 inches is the average. In Oregon you're limited to 4 inches. On a busy day in the summer, I estimate that 200-250 dredges will be operating on the Klamath, (and its tributaries, the) Scott, Salmon, and Trinity Rivers," Harding says.

Human health must also be considered. "In the 1850s, a lot of mercury was used in gold mining. It settled (into the gravel) and it's still there. You can find pools of

mercury. It's heavy like gold and has a chemical attraction to it. With dredging, toxic mercury re-enters the food chain through plants and fish," says Harding.

The economic impact to the local economy is one that is often overlooked. According to McCracken, the New 49ers bring \$6 million a year into the economy along the Klamath River corridor. In a resource-based economy hard hit by the national recession, a dredging moratorium would be a heavy blow to local tourism-dependant businesses.

"We have 2,000 members, of which about 100 live on the river. Right now there's a guy here from Sweden, another from the Czech Republic," McCracken explains.

Staking a Claim

When the gold rush began in 1849, federal, state, and territorial governments were faced with an industry without statutes or case law to settle claims. Miners were eager to prospect on federal land, which covered the vast majority of the western territories. Gold mining was new business and these governments relied partially on a confusing collection of European and Mexican laws, according to author C. A. Spleen, in *A History of Placer Gold Mining in Oregon, 1850-1870.*

The legislatures were content to allow miners to form districts, each having the ability to decide their own rules, including methods of settling disputes. The ensuing confusion gave rise first to the Federal Mining Act of 1866, and later the 1872 Mining Law. Today, mining is heavily regulated, both to settle disputes and to control damage to natural resources.

A vestige of Mexican law that is still operative today is that proof that minerals are present is a necessary prerequisite to receive a patent on a specific piece of land. A patent is property right where an individual or corporation can gain title to public land where minerals exist.

"To get a patent, you must show you can make a profit on a valuable mineral deposit. In 1994, Congress passed a moratorium on patents because of the backlog. That moratorium has been renewed several times since then," says Kevin Johnson, Area Mining Geologist for the Rogue-Siskiyou National Forest.

Filing for an unpatented mining claim is still possible, but requires periodic proof of improvements to the claim, as well as an annual fee for those who have more than ten claims. An unpatented mining claim is a lease from the federal government to extract minerals, but no ownership is conveyed.

The process for obtaining a claim requires filing paperwork with the county government and with the Bureau of Land Management. Once the paperwork is in order, the designated federal management agency will determine if a significant environmental impact is likely, and perform an analysis under the National Environmental Policy Act, if necessary, according to Johnson.

Suction dredging is limited to the inwater work period, a block of time determined by the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife to have a minimal impact on salmon and other anadromous fish. This time period varies from stream to stream, but generally lasts from mid-June to mid-September in Oregon, and several weeks longer on the Klamath River in California.

Although a mining claim grants an exclusive right to mine a particular area, it is not an exclusive right to use the land.

"Case law from the 1955 Surfaces Resources Act makes it clear that other uses (than mining) can still use public land as long as they're not interfering with mining claims. A lot of people don't know the rights and responsibilities of mining claims, like the guy in Josephine County that led to a tragic accident," Johnson adds.

Earlier this spring an off-road vehicle rider nearly lost his arm after being shot by a gold miner who didn't want the rider passing through his claim area.

The Miner's Miner

Not all gold miners need a river. The state of Jefferson is filled with mine tunnels. The solitary hardrock miner, however, is a dying breed. Because most of the known high-yielding bedrock deposits in southern Oregon have been tapped, more rock has to be processed to produce enough gold to recoup the costs. Hardrock mining is far more

expensive as a start-up business or hobby than river-based gold mining, and far more physically demanding for a miner armed with a pick and shovel.

"There's nothing easy about mining. You have to have a passion for moving rocks. If you want money, you're better off getting a job. You have to dig, then mill, then separate. They call it *hard* rock for a reason," says a recently-retired miner who goes by "Emmet." With 30 years of mining behind him, Emmet often dredged during the summer season and worked a vein on his Jacksonville property for the rest of the year.

Emmet says he's only one of two hardrock gold miners left in the Rogue Valley.

"It takes \$100,000 to start now: jack hammers, drills, mills. That's why not many people do it. There are not many veins in our area, so the big companies aren't interested. Some people don't like to follow the veins. They're the pocket hunters, they just go after surface deposits," Emmet explains.

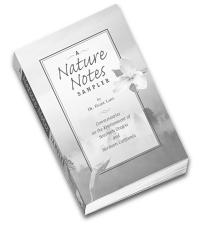
Emmet speaks wistfully both about the old timers who taught him his trade as a young man and about the lack of younger men to whom he can pass on the accumulated knowledge of generations of Jackson County miners. His favorite story is about a grizzled old miner who lived in a single wide trailer next to the Little Applegate River. The man kept his lifetime cache of gold nuggets in eight buckets under an army cot. He thinks the man kicked the bucket before cashing in its contents.

To answer the most common question he gets about mining, Emmet reminds his listener about how inefficient the miners were in the 19th century, leaving small nuggets behind when the big ones were plentiful.

"If you want to find gold," Emmet explains, "Go to where the gold was great in the old days. Go there now. They left a lot."

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Frank Lang

Lewis and Clark Expedition: 22 Aug, 1805

Just before flowering,

the bitterroot was

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local Native American

groups as a major

carbohydrate source.

n Thursday, August 22,1805, Captains Merewether Lewis and William Clark with members of their Voyage of Discovery were on their way to the Pacific Ocean. At Camp Fortunate, now underwater behind Clark Canyon Dam about 20 miles south of Dil-

lon, Montana, Lewis had a taste encounter with a plant that was to bear his name and what was to eventually become the Montana State Flower. According to H. Wayne Phillips in his book, Plants of the Lewis and Clark Expedition, the plant came from a "bushel of roots of three

different kinds dried and prepared for use," that George Drewyer (Drouillard), one of the expedition's interpreters, obtained from some Shoshone Indians with whom he had had an encounter.

Lewis wrote in his journal that among the roots, "another species was much mutilated but appeared to be fibrious; the parts were brittle, hard of the size of a small quill, cylindric and as white as snow throughout, except some small parts of the hard black rind which they had not separated in the preparation, This, the Indians with me, informed were always boiled for use. I made the experiment, found that

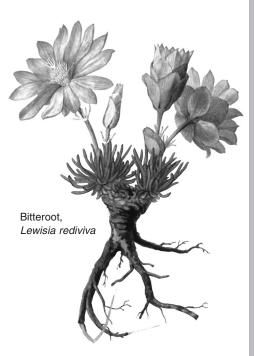
they became perfectly soft by boiling, but had a very bitter taste, which was nauseous to my palate, and I transferred them to the Indians who ate them heartily."

This plant we know today as bitterroot, *Lewisia rediviva*, was named in honor of Merewether Lewis, Bitter-

root appears as single, big, white, rose, or pink flower that grows right down on the surface of its dry, exposed, gravelly habitat. By the time it flowers, its round, fleshy, basal leaves dry up. Below the surface are the famous, bitter, carrot-shaped roots. Just before flowering, the bitterroot was collected in quantity by local Native



Lewis and Clark on the Columbian River, painting by Frederic Remington.



American groups as a major carbohydrate source.

Now expedition members and the Indians with them, were really hungry. practically verging on starvation. Earlier in August, Drewyer had killed a deer. This immediately sent everyone, Lewis and the Indians who heard, whipping their horses in a mad scramble to the kill.

Lewis, on a horse without stirrups, arrived a little late, finding that the jostling was, in his words, disagreeable. When he arrived, he found a scene that might have put him off his appetite if he hadn't been so hungry. Each Indian had some internal deer part that they were ravenously consuming raw, blood running down the corners of their mouths: kidneys, spleen, liver, stomach. According to Lewis, one of the last to arrive had provided himself with about nine feet of the small guts one end of which he was chewing on while with his hands he was squeezing out the contents at the other. Now, that's hungry.

It turned out they were helping themselves to the innards that Dewyer had discarded after gutting and dressing the deer. Lewis kept a hindquarter for himself and his men and generously donated the rest of the meat to the Indians. Makes bitterroot sound delicious doesn't it?

Nature Notes, who will eat almost anything, has never been that hungry.

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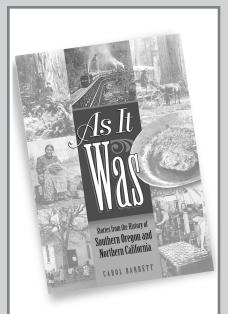
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Callahan's Siskiyou Lodge

by Nancy J. Bringhurst

Donald Callahan, a mill worker in Hilt, California in the 1940s, was aware of the increased traffic on Route 99 and the need for food and accommodations for travelers.

So, he bought land a few miles south of Ashland and in 1948 opened the Siskiyou Lodge, with five rental rooms and a restaurant to seat 50. It quickly became a popular spot to stop for a dollar dinner of chicken and baked beans that Callahan cooked in his outdoor barbeque pit.

In 1951, Callahan married Nelde Cervelin. Nelde knew she'd be living at the lodge with her husband and his two young sons, but let it be known that she had "no intention of cooking." In 1953, the lodge got the second liquor license issued in Ashland, and the Callahans added a bar and a pizza oven. By then they had also added two sons of their own and Nelde was indeed cooking.

The Siskiyou Lodge was torn down in 1964 when the state decided to build I-5 through its location. In 1965, the Callahans, with five sons, built and opened the successful Callahan's Restaurant just a few miles further south. Unfortunately, it burned to the ground in 2006.

Source: Interview with Nelde Callahan.

German POWS at Camp White

by Margaret LaPlante

n 1942 the US Government began detaining Germans as Prisoners of War. Approximately 150 base camps held an estimated 340,000 Germans during World War II.

Just outside of Southern Oregon's Camp White was a holding facility for German POWs that was overseen by American military officers. The facility had several compounds, and the main compound held more than two dozen structures, including the barracks, mess hall, storage buildings, and offices. Each compound had a gate with a guardhouse that was manned around the clock.

In 1943 the Government decided the POWs could work in industries that did not compete with American civilians. The Rogue Valley was experiencing a shortage of farm laborers due the war, so the POWs housed at the compound worked in local orchards and were paid 80 cents per day.

The U.S. Government sent in an American officer to "re-educate" the German POWs in the hopes that by teaching them what the United States was really like, it would bring a sense of unity and peace. The officer lived on-site and taught them English and helped them understand the American point of view.

In all, over 1,600 Germans POWs were detained at the compound.

Source: Fahey, John. "Reeducating German Prisoners During World War II." *Oregon Historical Quarterly*, Winter 1992–1993, pp. 369-393.

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Poetry

Peter Sears

The Guy Opposite Me in the Chemo Ward

My weekly visit and I'm losing it. Chemo is like novocain to the brain. I can't sleep for long without thinking of old oaks going over in high wind; they don't know to dig

their roots deep. My ride is doing errands. She can't take it for long, I don't blame her. She'll meet me later with a snack. The silver they are rooting into me isn't coming out.

Our back yard got so dry a fire started. Wind whipped it up the hill. I saw the fire crest the hill and rattlesnakes wriggle up over the top. I'm sure they were

screaming. The fire was about to roast me along with the snakes when it veered off. My ride may not be coming back. We had a fight. Lots of yelling. I said

there shouldn't be purple trees. She said, This time you're really nuts, the chemo's gone to your brain. She was crying. I yanked myself out of the car, slammed the door.

Sorry, I should have said I didn't mean it, I'm not me and, you know, those crazy purple plum trees, but I didn't. So here I am, back in the ward, back on the I-V.

Sixteen

What do you mean is he weird? He's 16. Of course he's weird. And yes, he is funny-looking, like he's growing in sections. Huge head, like a dunking bird's with a bush of brambles on top. No, he can't hear us, he's wired to hear himself. Look, his arms swing as if he is rowing himself through the world.

No shoulders. No chest. No hips. You'd think he'd just fall over. Lists to the left and tucks his chin into his left armpit as if he would prefer to be shorter, less here. His feet, his main feature, are Smithsonian. He grows so fast his bones have developed a calcium deficiency.

He says his legs ache crazy, that they feel like two pneumatic drills breaking up a sidewalk. Is he growing as we look at him? His arms grow but not his neck, so the sleeves of his shirt seem to shrink. He and his friend Fred play chess on the porch

and tell each other their moves. They had a chess board and players, but they lost some players. He needs a lot of sleep. Sometimes days at a time. His pet gerbil he carries in his shirt. His most trying habit is to stand in front of you and appear to be about to say something and not.

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Klamath Bird Observatory Celebrates with its Second Annual Wings and Wine Gala

By Annie Kilby

he Klamath Bird Observatory (KBO) is preparing to put aside binoculars, mist nets, and notebooks and invite you to a party—the second annual Wings and Wine Gala. The Gala tradition began last year, to build community and grass roots support for bird conservation in the Klamath-Siskiyou Bioregion. This vision continues as KBO nurtures, develops, and builds on this community support at the second annual Wings and Wine Gala this August, celebrating with people dedicated to the conservation of our natural resources. As KBO heads towards this vear's Gala at RoxvAnn Winery, they look back and honor the tradition of field biology and conservation in the mythical State of Jefferson, while looking to the future of conservation in this region, work-

ing to protect the State's most valuable natural resources.

Through extensive field monitoring and research efforts that span the State of Jefferson, KBO fosters collaboration among government agencies, private organizations, and individuals, all working to conserve bird populations and their habitats. Within this partnership, KBO builds off the work of our region's early field scientist, such as Medford's Swisher who, in 1969 banded birds at Roxy Ann Butte, a landmark near the site of

the Gala,. The Observatory's sciencebased conservation efforts involve the operation of bird banding stations, conducting surveys for landbirds and waterbirds, and studying the ecological effects of land management throughout south-Oregon northern California. These research and monitoring efforts are designed to integrate bird conservation with land management practices in the region; these efforts are recognized as an international model for bird conservation. In this region, linked closely with the U.S. Forest Service's Redwood Sciences Laboratory, in Arcata, KBO has

built one of the country's most intensive

ecological monitoring networks. This network provides the information that is proving critical for the protection and restoration of resilient landscapeslandscapes that will better provide society with the natural resources we will need to thrive in the face of climate change and continued population growth.

Building on the KBO's world class conservation science, educators reach out to local communities and schools to translate the science and connect people to the environment and

birds. Bimonthly bird walks help people to explore the natural areas surrounding Medford, Ashland, and Klamath Falls and to enjoy the birds there. Adult education classes and workshops help to improve



Banding Intern Viviana Cadena Ruiz pictured here with a Yellow Warbler.

people's understanding of bird identification, and interpretive trips to banding stations provide unique chance to see the science and birds up close. KBO works closely with regional school districts visiting kindergarten through twelfth grade students providing experiential hands on science lessons and field trips. Education efforts also focus on land

managers and land owners, aiding them in utilizing the latest science information for addressing management and conservation challenges.

Monitoring bird populations and working with local communities to share science provides a foundation for conservation opportunities. KBO acts locally, while thinking globally to contribute to conservation initiatives that not only benefit the birds, but our ecosystems, and ultimately our quality of life. Like canaries in a coal mine, birds serve as indicators of the health of our ecosystems, the ecosystems on which we depend.

Join Klamath Bird Oservatory, Saturday, August 22nd from 6-10pm at RoxyAnn Winery in East Medford. The event will feature the urban country indie Americana music of Ashland favorite *One Horse Shy*, plus a Not-So-Silent auction from 6pm-9pm. Tickets for the Wings and Wine Gala are \$45 in advance and \$55 at the door and include delicious local food, complementary local wine and beer, and a Not-So-Silent auction. The auction will feature a wide range of items from a week's stay at seaside houses in Roatan, Honduras and on an island in

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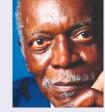
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Marian Mc Partlan's Piano Jazz

August 2 · Hank Jones with guest host Bill Charlap

Legendary pianist Hank Jones was one of McPartland's first guests when she began *Piano Jazz* thirty years ago. To celebrate the show's milestone anniversary, McPartland asked another of her favorite



Hank Jones

pianists, Bill Charlap, to take a turn on the host's bench to catch up with Jones. The two sparkle on such duets as "Oh Look at Me Now" and Billy Strayhorn's "Lotus Blossom."

August 9 · Michel Petrucciani

French pianist Michel Petrucciani lit up the jazz world during his brief life. A genetic disease left him standing only 3 feet tall as an adult, but he overcame his disabilities to become one of the most interesting and passionate pianists of the last



Michel Petrucciani

several decades. In this program from 1987, Petrucciani, then age 23, performs his own tune, "The Prayer," and McPartland joins him on "My Funny Valentine."

August 16 · Jeremy Siskind

Piano Jazz showcases another bright young pianist, Jeremy Siskind. Having recently graduated from the Eastman School of Music, Siskind has already won several impressive competitions and attracted the attention of Piano Jazz's host. His skills have taken him to Japan and around the U.S. And now, he's in the studio with McPartland for piano duets of "Autumn Leaves" and "There'll Never Be Another You."

August 23 · Dave Samuels Vibes player Dave Samuels is one of the best mallet

players on the scene today. A versatile musician, Samuels has played with everyone from Stan Getz to Frank Zappa. Samuels brought along pianist Alain Mallet to perform "Picture Frame," an original tune from his recent Latin Grammy-winning album witl

from his recent Latin Grammy-winning album with his group, the Caribbean Jazz Project. Samuels and

Jazz Project. Samuels and Mallet end the hour with "All the Things You Are."

Dave Samuels

August 30 · Allen Toussaint with guest host Elvis Costello

Pianist, singer, composer and producer Allen Toussaint is a legendary musical force on the New Orleans music scene. McPartland asked her friend, the ever-eclectic Elvis Costello, to sit in as guest

host for this *Piano Jazz* session which features Toussaint singing and playing his hit tune "Southern Nights," and a duet with Costello on the pair's recent collaboration — "Ascension Day."



Elvis Costello

The Thistle & Shamrock August 2 · Two Shoogles

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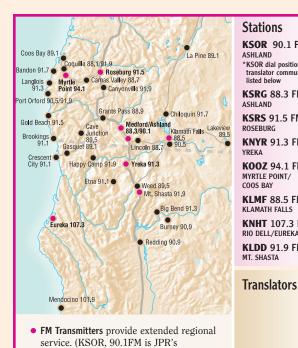
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Aug 3	M	Rossini:	William	Tell	Overture	and
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Aug 4 T W. Schuman*: New England Triptych

Aug 5 W Rachmaninoff: Piano Concerto No. 4

T Villa-Lobos: Bachianas Brasileiras No. Aug 6

F Debussy: La Mer Aug 7

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Aug 10 M Mozart: Serenade in G major

Aug 11 T Rimsky-Korsakov: Russian Easter Overture

Aug 12 W Janacek*: Sinfonietta

Aug 13 T Grieg: Lyric Suite

Aug 14 F Wagner: Selections from Die Walküre

Aug 17 M J. K. Mertz*: Polonaise & Mazurkas

Aug 18 T Godard*: Suite for Flute and Orchestra

Aug 19 W Ginastera*: Estancia

Aug 20 T Tchaikovsky: 1812 Overture

Aug 21 F Lili Boulanger*: D'un Soir Triste

Aug 24 M Handel: The Cuckoo and the Nightingale

Aug 25 T Bernstein*: West Side Story Suite

Aug 26 W von Weber: Clarinet Quintet in B flat

Aug 27 T Rebecca Clarke*: Viola Sonata

Aug 28 F Liszt: Tasso

Aug 31 M Ponchielli*: Capriccio for Oboe and Orchestra

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ug 3	M	Tchaikovsky:	Violin	Concerto	in	D
		major				

T W. Schuman*: Symphony No. 4 Aug 4

Aug 5 W Louis Spohr: Double Quartet No. 3 Aug 6

T Elgar: Falstaff - Symphonic Study in

Aug 7 F Gyrowetz: Symphony in D major

Aug 10 M Paganini: Violin Concerto No. 1

Aug 11 T Mozart: Symphony No. 41, "Jupiter"

Aug 12 W Schubert: String Quartet, "Death and the Maiden"

Aug 13 T Gretchaninov: Piano Trio No. 1

Aug 14 F Haydn: String Quartet, Op. 76, No. 3; "Emperor"

Aug 17 M Beethoven: Triple Concerto

Aug 18 T Dvorak: The Golden Spinning Wheel

Aug 19 W Enescu*: String Quartet No. 1

Aug 20 T Myaskovsky*: Symphony No. 25

Aug 21 F Joseph Kraus: Sonata in E major

Aug 24 M Svoboda: Symphony No. 1, "Of Nature"

Aug 25 T Bernstein*: Serenade after Plato's Symposium

Schumann: Piano Trio No. 3 Aug 26 W

Van Bree: Grand Quartet No. 3 Aug 27 T

Aug 28 F Mozart: Posthorn Serenade

Aug 31 M Mendelssohn: Symphony No. 11

Exploring Musics

Week of August 3 · Violin Concerto A sampling of great compositions for solo violin and orchestra.

Week of August 10 · Sweet Home Chicago Exploring Music teams up with the Grant Park Music Festival. Orchestral and Choral performances and recordings.

Week of August 17 · Debussy

Exploring the life and work of one of Music's more alluring and mysterious figures.

Week of August 24 · School Days

A celebration of young composers and performers

Week of August 31 ⋅ The Not So Minor B-Minor Mass

Examination of the growth of Bach's masterpiece, starting with the smaller Lutheran Masses which led up to the B Minor Mass, also includes influences from Palestrina to Bach's own instrumental and organ works.

JPR Saturday Morning Opera with Don Matthews

Aug 1 · L'amore dei Tre Re by Italo Montemezzi Anna Moffo, Plácido Domingo, Pablo Elvira, Cesare Siepi, Ryland Davies, Ambrosian Opera Chorus, London Symphony Orchestra, Nello Santi, conductor.

Aug 8 · Pepita Jiménez (in English) by Isaac Albeniz

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6:00pm World Briefing from the BBC

7:00pm As It Happens

8:00pm The Jefferson Exchange (repeat of 8am broadcast)

10:00pm BBC World Service

Saturday

5:00am BBC World Service 7:00am The State We're In 8:00am Marketplace Money 9:00am Studio 360 10:00am West Coast Live 12:00pm Whad'Ya Know 2:00pm This American Life

3:00pm A Prairie Home Companion

5:00pm Selected Shorts

6:00pm The Vinyl Cafe 7:00pm New Dimensions 8:00pm BBC World Service

Sunday

5:00am BBC World Service

8:00am To the Best of Our Knowledge

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Plácido Domingo, Carol Vaness, Jane Henschel, Enrique Baquerizo, Carlos Chausson, José Antonio López, Orchestra and Chorus de la Comunidad de Madrid, José De Eusebio, conductor.

San Francisco Opera

Aug 15 · Simon Boccanegra by Giuseppe Verdi Dmitri Hvorostovsky, Barbara Frittoli, Marcus Haddock, Vitalij Kowaljow, Patrick Carfizzi, Kenneth Kellogg, Erin Neff, Dale Tracy, San Francisco Opera Orchestra & Chorus, Donald Runnicles, conductor.

Aug 22 · The Bonesetter's Daughter (in English) by Stewart Wallace

Zheng Cao, Ning Liang, Qian Yi, Hao Jiang Tian, Wu Tong, James Maddalena, Valery Portnov, Madelaine Matej, Rose Frazier, Catherine Cook, Mary Finch, Natasha Ramirez Leland, Erin Neff, San Francisco Opera Orchestra & Chorus, Steven Sloane, conductor.

Aug 29 · Die Tote Stadt by Erich Wolfgang Korngold Torsten Kerl, Emily Magee, Lucas Meachem, Katharine Tier, Ji Young Yang, Daniela Mack, Alek Shrader, Andrew Bidlack, Bryan Ketron, San Francisco Opera Orchestra & Chorus, Donald Runnicles, conductor.

Selected Shorts

August 1 · Best Friends: Dog Tales "Sleeping with Dogs on a King Size Bed," by Abigail Thomas, read by Rochelle Oliver

August 8 ⋅ It's Love

"Examining the Evidence," by Alice Hoffman, read by Joanna Gleason "An Old Fashioned Story," by Laurie Colwin, read by Mia Dillon

August 15 · Tales in Verse, and a Chiller

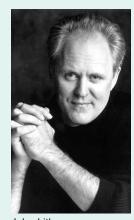
Selected poems by Oliver Wendell Holmes, Lewis Carroll, Edward Lear, Gertrude Stein, Robert Frost and others, read by John Lithgow and Bill Irwin

"The Monkey's Paw," by W.W. Jacobs, read by John Lithgow

August 22 · Figuring it Out "Towel Season," by Ron Carlson, read by James Naughton "Bad Joke," by Ha Jin, read by B.D.

August 29 · Overwhelmed "A Curtain of Green," by Eudora Welty, read by Frances Sternhagen "Concerning Love," by Anton Chekhov, translated by Ronald

Hingley, read by Joe Morton



John Lithgow



Mia Dillon









ROGUE VALLEY

Theater

◆ The Oregon Shakespeare Festival presents the following plays through the 2009 season:

Macbeth, thru Nov. 1st The Music Man, thru Nov. 1st Paradise Lost, thru Oct. 31st All's Well That Ends Well, thru Nov. 1st The Servant of Two Masters, thru Nov. 1st Equivocation, thru Oct. 31st Henry VIII, thru Oct. 9th Don Quixote, thru Oct. 10th Much Ado About Nothing, thru Oct. 11th

Performances begin at 1:30pm & 8 pm. OSF theaters are located on Pioneer Street, Ashland.(541)482-4331, www.osfashland.org

- ◆ Camelot Theater presents Six Dance Lessons in Six Weeks written by Richard Alfieri, Aug. 12th thru Sept. 13th. Located at Talent Ave. & Main St., Talent.(541)535-5250. www.camelottheatre.org
- ◆ Oregon Stage Works presents Golden Boy written by Clifford Odets, July 31st thru Aug. 31st with previews July 29th, 3rd. Located at 185 A Street, Ashland.(541)482-2334. www.oregonstage-
- ◆ The Oregon Cabaret Theatre continues its presentation of The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee, thru Aug. 30th. Located at 1st & Hargadine Streets, Ashland.(541)488-2902. www.oregoncabaret.com
- Craterian Performances and Children's Musical Theatre of Oregon present Once on This Island Aug. 19th thru 22nd. Performances nightly at 7:30pm and a matinee on Aug. 22nd at 3pm. Ginger Rogers Theater, 23 S. Central Ave., Medford. (541)770-3000. www.craterian.org

Music

◆ Britt Festivals presents its 47th Classical Festival. All of these performances, except Aug. 2nd at Southern Oregon University, feature the Britt Orchestra:

July 31st, Opening Night Gala/Alisa Weilerstein @ 8pm.

Aug. 1st, Music of the Masters/Anton Nel @ 8pm.

Aug. 2nd, Arianna String Quartet at SOU Recital Hall, Ashland @ 3pm.

Aug. 7th, Lyrical and Lovely/Anne Akiko Meyers/Britt Orchestra @ 8pm.

Aug. 8th, Seascapes/Benedetto Lupo/Britt Orchestra @ 8pm.

Aug. 14th, Russian Romance/Philippe Quint @ 8pm.

Aug. 15th, Family Concert - Platypus Theatre @ 7:30pm.

Aug. 16th, Watts Plays Grieg/Andre Watts @

Britt also presents a wide array of performers throughout the month:

Aug. 7th, An Evening with Los Tigres Del Norte at Lithia Motors Amphitheater @

Aug. 18th, Trace Adkins/Special Guest TBA @ 7:30pm.

Aug. 21st, Bob Weir & RatDog/Jackie Greene @ 7pm.

Aug. 22nd, Elvis Costello and the Sugarcanes @ 7:30pm.

Aug. 26th, Diana Krall/Special Guest TBA @ 7:30pm.



American Cellist Alisa Weilerstein performs at the 47th Classical Festival opening night gala at the Britt Festival on Friday July 31st.

Send announcements of arts-related events to: Artscene, Jefferson Public Radio. 1250 Siskiyou Blvd., Ashland, OR 97520 or to paul.b.christensen@gmail.com

> August 15 is the deadline for the October issue.

For more information about arts events, listen to JPR's Calendar of the Arts or visit our online Community Calendar at www.ijpr.org



Grammy Award-winning Canadian jazz pianist and singer Diana Krall takes the stage at Britt on Wednesday, August 26th.

Aug. 27th, All Together Now (movie night) @ 8:45pm.

Aug. 28th, Creedence Clearwater Revisited @ 7:30pm.

Aug. 29th, The Avett Brothers/Special Guest TBA @ 7:30pm.

Aug. 30th, Pink Martini Presents Oregon! Oregon! @ 7pm.

The Britt Pavilion is located at the intersection of Fir and First Streets, Jacksonville.(800)882-7488,(541)773-6077 or visit www.brittfest.org

◆ St. Clair Productions presents the Second Annual Barbecue and Music Benefit at Eagle Mill Farm, corner of Eagle Mill Rd. and So. Valley View Rd. on Aug. 15th from 4pm till dark. Music by David Pinsky, The Rhythm Kings, and others. Admission by donation. Beer and Barbecue for sale. (541)535-3562. www.stclairevents.com

Exhibitions

- ◆ First Friday Art Walk in downtown Ashland and the Historic Railroad District on the first Friday of each month from 5-8 pm.(541)488-8430. www.ashlandgalleries.com
- Live music and art in Grants Pass on the first Friday of each month from 6-9 pm. At H and 5th Sts., Grants Pass. (541)787-0910

NORTH CALIFORNIA

Music

◆ The Cascade Theatre and Jefferson Public Radio Performance Series present An Evening



Pink Martini, a "little orchestra" from Portland, blends genres of music such as Latin, lounge, classical, and jazz. They perform at the Britt Festival on Sunday, August 30th.



Grammy nominated Russian-born American violinist, Philippe Quint performs Russian Romance under the stars at Britt on Tuesday, August 14th.



The Cascade Theatre and Jefferson Public Radio Performance Series present An Evening with Bruce Hornsby on August 14th at 7:30pm.

with Bruce Hornsby on Aug. 14th at 7:30pm. The following evening Aug. 15th Linda Regan Bott sings Martinis with Santa at 7:30pm. Located at 1733 Market Street, Redding.(530)243-8877. www.cascadetheatre.org

◆ The Fifth Annual ShastaYama Drum Festival will be presented on Aug. 1st at 6pm in Shastice Park, Mount Shasta. Featured will be Taiko Grand Master Seiichi Tanaka and Jun Daiko. Tickets on sale at Village Books and at Soul Connections in Mount Shasta, Yreka Chamber of Commerce, Bogbean Books & Music in Redding, and at the gate.(530)859-8686. www.shastayama.org



The Klamath Blues Society and Klamath Blues Festival present the Klamath Blues Festival 2009 on August 29th featuring Roy Rogers (above) and the Delta Rhythm Kings.

Exhibitions

 2nd Saturday Art Hop is a monthly event, celebrating the arts and culture in Redding and the North State from 6-9 pm.(530)243-1169.

UMPQUA

Theater

◆ Umpqua Community College and Oregon Musical Theatre Festival present the following performances:

Nunsense on Aug. 1st @ 2pm and Aug. 2nd @ 7:30pm at Centerstage Theater

The Producers on Aug. 1st @ 7:30pm and Aug. 2nd at 2pm at Jacoby Auditorium I Do! I Do! on Aug. 1st, 2nd, and 3rd @ 8pm at Swanson Amphitheatre

Located at 1140 Umpqua College Rd., Roseburg.(541)440-7700

OREGON AND REDWOOD COAST

Exhibitions

 Humboldt Arts Council continues its presentation Images of Water thru Aug. 23rd. Also continuing, works by Curtis Bartone: The Ocean Through Our Large Window, thru Sept. 6th. The council's Permanent Collection is housed at

The Morris Graves Museum of Art, 636 F Street. Eureka. (707)442-0278. www.humboldtarts.org

KLAMATH

Theater

◆ Ross Ragland Theater continues its presentation of The Music Man on Aug. 1st and Aug. 2nd. Evening performance on Sat. at 7:30pm, and a 2pm matinee on Sunday. The special gala community production celebrates the theater's 20th anniversary season with this tuneful tribute to the brass band and small-town America. (541) 884-0651. www.rrtheater.org

Music and Dance

◆ The Klamath Blues Society and Klamath Blues Festival present the Klamath Blues Festival 2009 on August 29th featuring Roy Rogers and the Delta Rhythm Kings. Information and a complete line-up of musicians is available at www.klamathblues.org

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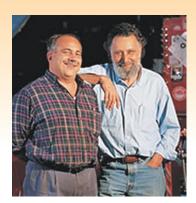
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New Zealand, to local gift baskets and art, to a private hawk watching trip with the American Birding Association's Chair of the Board Dick Ashford. Tickets for the Gala are available at Northwest Nature Shop in Ashland, Wild Birds Unlimited in Medford, online at www.KlamathBird.org and at 541-201-0866.

To learn more about KBO's science and education programs, and for more information on the Wings and Wine Gala as well as other outreach events that KBO provides for the community including bi-monthly bird walks, banding demonstrations, summer camps, and adult education classes, visit website www.KlamathBird.org or call 541-201-0866.

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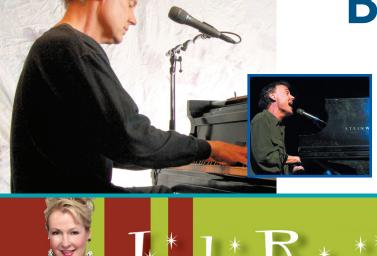
Tickets and Information (530) 243-8877 www.cascadetheatre.org

An Evening with

Bruce Hornsby

August 14 • 7:30pm

Since the release of his first album in 1986, Bruce Hornsby has created a musical life that has expanded far and wide to embrace a diverse range of musical styles. He's been nominated for 13 Grammy Awards, winning three — in 1987 with the Range for The Way It Is; in 1989 for his version of The Valley Road; and with Branford Marsalis in 1993 for their song for the Barcelona Olympics, Barcelona Mona. Hornsby's 13 albums have sold over 11 million copies worldwide. Don't miss an intimate evening of music with Bruce Hornsby at the piano at Redding's Cascade Theatre!



August 15 • 7:30pm

Former Dean Martin Gold-Digger, recording artist and local radio personality Linda Regan Bott celebrates Christmas a little early this year with a holiday concert that will be recorded in the Cascade for a compact disc planned for release this holiday season.

Backed by a six piece band, The Cool Yules, Linda performs sultry arrangements of jazz standards, heartwarming renditions of holiday favorites, and swanky tributes to the man in red. Linda will be joined by a number of special guest artists, including harpist Candace LiVolsi and Santa himself, along with a few other surprises.

September 16 - 7:30pm

Los Lonely Boys took the music world by storm in 2003 with the release of their multi-platinum Grammy-winning debut album which included the hit single, Heaven. The Texas trio has followed up with 2006's Sacred and their latest recording, Forgiven. If Los Lonely Boys sounds like a band that's been together all their lives it's because they have — the band is comprised of the three Garza brothers. Powered by passion and true brotherly love, Los Lonely Boys returns to the Cascade to share its deeply personal and stunning fusion of electric blues, Texas roots and good old-fashioned rock'n'roll.

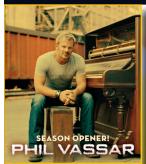




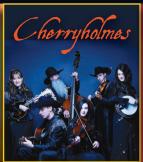


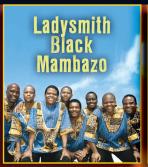
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24	Straight No Chaser
November 1	Cherryholmes, 2 p.m.
14	Hotel California – A Salute to The Eagles
21	RCS: REBEL: Ensemble for Baroque Music
December 6	Esquire Jazz Orchestra, 2 p.m.
12	A Rita Coolidge Christmas with The Raglan
	Youth Choir
26	The Eugene Ballet's <i>The Nutcracker</i>
27	Eugene Ballet's <i>The Nutcracker</i> , 2 p.m.
January 15	The Coats
29	BLINK!
February 6	The 6th Annual Red Tie Romp, 5:30 p.m.
8	Tap Kids

February 17 In The Mood 19 **RCS: La Catrina Quartet Moscow Circus** March Steve Trash - Rockin' Eco Hero 21 **Dublin's Traditional Irish Cabaret, 2 p.m. Ladysmith Black Mambazo** RCS: High School Honors Recital, 2 p.m. **April** 11 Björn Again – The Ultimate ABBA Experience 24 Diva Nation presented by Four Bitchin' Babes

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